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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY

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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Notice of Incomplete Reply having a mailing date of March 5, 2002, a copy of which is enclosed.

It was noted in the Notice to File Missing Parts dated October 2, 2001 that the drawing sheets of the application did not have appropriate margins. In response and in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.84, Applicant provides herein 13 sheets of substitute drawings containing, inter alia, appropriate margins. These substitute drawings do not constitute new matter.

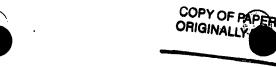
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 01/23/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/02/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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